

HOUSE RESOLUTION 359

By Roach

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Bobby David Williams of Claiborne County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Bobby David Williams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Claiborne County, Bobby Williams was a 1967 graduate of Claiborne County High School; he continued his studies at Lincoln Memorial University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in math; and

WHEREAS, following his college education, Mr. Williams became a middle school math teacher in Morristown; for seven years, he applied his boundless energies to motivating students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, following his teaching career, Bobby Williams served First Century Bank with acumen and alacrity for twenty-five years as Vice President, Branch Manager, and Loan Officer; although he missed teaching children, Mr. Williams indulged his passions for math and assisting others, earning the uniform respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Bobby Williams rendered sterling service as a member of the Claiborne County School Board for more than twenty years, many of which he also served as Chairman; his service on the School Board provided him with an outlet for his adamant desire to help children and support education, principles that he emphasized in the upbringing of his children; and

WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman, Mr. Williams was a skilled fisherman and hunter who, when not at work, often could be found on Norris Lake or in a turkey field; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Williams was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams enjoyed the loving companionship of his high school sweetheart and wife of thirty-eight years, Kathy Williams; his daughter and son-in-law, Ginger and Stacy Carter; his son and daughter-in-law, Travis and Karla Williams; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Trent and Eloise Williams and Ronnie and Jeannine Williams; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Williams will be deeply missed by his grandchildren, Kendra and Kaden Williams, for whom he was a constant source of joy and entertainment who could top even Mickey Mouse in capturing the youngsters' attention; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; he will be remembered by all for his cheerful, positive attitude and his embodiment of the Golden Rule; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Bobby David Williams, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Williams.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.